

# 'CURDY FAMILY INSURANCE MEN IN

**IS NOT YET SERVED**

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though Legal Time Limit Has Expired No Action Is Taken in Civil Suits.

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**EXPLANATION OF EXTENSION**

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ars Credited to Former Head of the Mutual Before He Said—Reform Crusade Well Under Way.

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Although the legal limit of twenty days expired yesterday since the service of sum-

Explanation Concerning the Situation in  
Regard to Mutualization and Why  
He Was Specified.

High life insurance officers were congratulating themselves yesterday that they

extension of the prescribed limit of ninety days with the consent of counsel to the defendants.

We have arranged for a brief extension of the time," said Mr. Allen. "The affording of the complaints is altogether unnecessary," Mr. Hannan says. "Just when they will be ready for service; it will probably be within a very few days."

Family friends and former business associates of the McCurdys are eagerly awaiting detailed information as to what influence change of occupation and residence will have on the trial and the

ment may have up to the mental and physical condition of Richard A. McCurdy. One of his former intimate friends said yesterday—

The public has little real idea how terribly Mr. McCurdy has felt his humiliation. For days before he sailed for Europe he gave way to frequent attacks of hysterical grief, during which he lost all self-control and wept bitterly for hours like a

new business within the margins provided by the new law only by reason of the fact that in reporting to the committee the

amounted to an almost morbid mania for accumulation of property and those closest to him feared a complete mental and physical collapse. Even before Mr. McCarty's resignation, his condition was such that members of the Board who reported that step as inevitable were in a situation with him. Once that step had been taken he appeared to fall rapidly.

It is also believed that to this concession the legislative committee will consent to add an amendment permitting to the

He is to have the tive co-operation of the Stuyvesant Fish. He added that he regarded his incumbency of the chairmanship as merely temporary, as he hopes Mr. Fish may be persuaded to become the permanent chairman.

It was stated that a close and harmonious working agreement, if not an actual consolidation, is practically assured with the

**Situation in Albany.** Any amendment to this effect is likely to meet the opposition of the more radical members of the Assembly.

The avowed purpose of the crusade is to resist the present Mutual Board and administration under the terms of the complained Armstrong bill, the passage of which will make such a solution possible in the Mutual and the New York City of November 15 next, if the opposing bill holders should muster sufficient

Against this bill the purely mutual companies will muster their heavy legal artillery at the public hearing in Albany.

On Thursday, when Mr. W. Taft will probably appear for the Mutual's administration and Mr. Hornblower for the New York Life. They will argue that a law which places such an organized raid of policy holders is a well organized raid of policy holders is a well organized and dangerous. Mr. Un- derster will also appear for the policy holders' committee.

ALBANY HEARS OF  
BIG BATTLE FUND

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.]  
 LANSY, N. Y., Monday.—Convicted that they cannot obtain by persuasion the changes in the insurance reform bills.

When they desire, the opponents of the bill have determined to resort to the use of more "practical" arguments.

was learned to-night that many of the men who appeared before the investigating committee last week to present arguments against the bills were deeply disappointed by the results of the hearing, and that they have made up their minds to see that no change can be done by other methods.

By making his explicit assent to mutual

to show that the heads of the great insurance companies and the higher officers who appeared at the hearing have connection with it. There is no doubt, however, that the project is being actively pushed among the agents whose sources are numerous, as I have noted here and in former issues.

revenue are threatened by certain features of the bills, and there is reason to believe that a fund is already being raised for the purpose of opposing the bills. The assessment upon agents throughout the country is being made, and the following letter, under date of June 26 last, Mr. Ryan referred to pledges already made to Mr. Cleveland, and added:—

There are eighteen thousand agents in the State alone, and the fact that they all were called in a threatening way attracted the attention of the investigating committee last Friday. A comparatively small assessment would provide a very large fund for use in the Legislature where it could do the most good.

On the witness stand before the Army strong committee on December 8 last Mr. Ryan expressly placed himself on record promising not to obstruct but to facilitate the committee's work.

It is a general realization that it would be impossible to conduct a successful fight in the Assembly, and whatever is to be done will be attempted the upper house.

## Nothing to Say

year around in the Arlington, Va., apartment which he keeps in a rented house on 14th and G streets. Mackay, acting chairman of the Fowler committee, was asked by a reporter for the **HERALD** if there was any in the report that he had called a special meeting of his committee for to-day. He replied: "I don't know."

There is absolutely no truth in the rest," was Mr. Mackay's reply. "No spe-

meeting has been held. Our next session probably will be held on Wednesday afternoon.

Has the committee heard from Mr. Hamilton in response to the letter addressed to him the other day?"

"We have not heard either directly or indirectly from Mr. Hamilton," said Mr. McKay. "The situation."

**DELAY FOR PRUDENTIAL.**

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.]

TRENTON, N. J., Monday. — Assemblyman Martin, of Essex, the Colby reform leader in the House, consented to-night to another

committee is concerned is entirely unchanged from that which prevailed when the letter was written."

**Buys Tract on Newark Bay.**—Calvin Tompkins has bought from the Jersey Terminal, Dock and Improvement Company, in which J. Pierpont Morgan, Cornelius Vanderbilt, George W. Baker, Pliny Fisk and other New York capitalists are interested, part of the 2,000-acre tract

only reason Hamilton has not come to New York before was owing to the fact

he has not been in the best of health. land.